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SUBJECT: GUIDANCE ON ISRAELI RESPONSE TO OUR QUESTIONS

1. FOLLOWING IN PARA. 2 IS PRESS GUIDANCE WE WILL BE
USING IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS ABOUT USG REACTION TO
ISRAELI CABINET'S RESPONSE TO OUR QUESTIONS ON PEACE
PROCESS. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT USG SOURCES NOT RPT NOT BE

CITED AS CHARACTERIZING ISRAELI RESPONSE IN ANY WAY.

2. (BEGIN TEXT). DURING THE LAST VISITS TO WASHINGTON OF PRIME MINISTER BEGIN AND FOREIGN MINISTER DAYAN, WE PROPOSED THAT THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT CLARIFY ITS POSITION ON TWO QUESTIONS REGARDING THE FUTURE OF THE WEST BANK AND GAZA. DURING AMBASSADOR ATHERTON'S LAST VISIT TO CAIRO AND IN SECRETARY VANCE'S MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER KAMEL IN NEW YORK, WE PROPOSED THAT THE EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT PROVIDE ITS SPECIFIC VIEWS ON HOW THE ISSUES RELATING TO THE PALESTINIANS, THE WEST BANK, AND GAZA COULD BE DEALT WITH IN THE NEGOTIATIONS. WE HAVE HELD A NUMBER OF USEFUL DISCUSSIONS WITH THE EGYPTIANS.

WE HAVE NOW RECEIVED THE ISRAELI RESPONSES TO OUR QUESTIONS. WE WILL BE CONSULTING WITH EACH SIDE ABOUT HOW TO

PROCEED ON THE BASIS OF THE ISRAELI RESPONSE AND THE VIEWS DEVELOPED IN OUR EXCHANGES WITH EGYPT. AT THIS STAGE, WE ARE NOT GOING TO CHARACTERIZE EITHER THE ISRAELI RESPONSE OR THE EGYPTIAN VIEWS. (END TEXT).
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